

# **UTAH STATE COURT MEDIATION PROGRAMS**

## **VOLUNTEER MEDIATOR OPPORTUNITIES**

### **RESTORATIVE DIALOGUE PROGRAM:**

- Juvenile Court Program is available in areas throughout the state.
- Volunteer mediators provide mediation sessions between perpetrators of crime and their victims.
- The purpose of the program is to give victims of crime the opportunity to meet their offenders, express the impact the crime had on their life, and ask questions related to the crime. The program also provides victims of crime the opportunity to become more actively involved in the justice process, they become involved in determining restitution for the offenders and the community service the offender should complete to restore the community.
- **To become involved in this program contact Bart MacKay (435 986-5754) bartm@email.utcourts.gov at the Administrative Office of the Courts.**

### **LANDLORD-TENANT MEDIATION PROGRAM:**

- This program is available in Third District (Salt Lake County).
- Provides mediation services to landlords and tenants involved in eviction proceedings.
- Volunteer mediators appear at the court hearing to provide mediation services.
- This program is a collaboration between the Community Action Program and the Administrative Office of the Courts.
- **To become involved in this program contact Josie Turner at the Community Action Program (359-2444 ext. 225).**

### **SMALL CLAIMS MEDIATION PROGRAM:**

- This program is available in the Third (Salt Lake County and Summit County) and Fourth (Utah County) Judicial Districts.
- Disputants in small claims cases are given the opportunity to mediate the case prior to a court hearing.
- The program utilizes volunteer mediators who are available at the time of the court hearings.
- This program is a collaboration between the Administrative Office and Utah Dispute Resolution (3<sup>rd</sup> District, Salt Lake County), Park

City Community Members (Summit County) and The BYU Law School (4<sup>th</sup> District).

- **To become involved in this program contact:**
- **Russ Osguthorpe at Utah Dispute Resolution (532-4841) for Third District (Salt Lake County);**
- **Allison Weyher at Mountain Mediation {(435) 615-6807} for Third District (Summit County);**
- **Susan Bradshaw at BYU Law School {(801) 378-2159} for Fourth District.**

### **TRUANCY MEDIATION PROGRAM:**

- Implemented in school districts across the state.
- The purpose of the program is to divert truancy cases from entering the juvenile court system.
- The program utilizes trained volunteer mediators from the community to complete the mediation sessions at the school.
- The mediation session provides a relaxed atmosphere for the student, parents, and school personnel to discuss the truancy problem and come to a resolution.
- This program is a collaboration with the Juvenile Court and the participating school districts.
- **To become involved in this program contact Bart MacKay (435 986-5754) [bartm@email.utcourts.gov](mailto:bartm@email.utcourts.gov) or Sherri Hannon [sherrih@email.utcourts.gov](mailto:sherrih@email.utcourts.gov) (801 578-3800) at the Administrative Office of the Courts.**

### **LAW AND MOTION PROGRAM:**

- Volunteers mediate landlord tenant and debt collection issues.
- Program located at the Sandy Courthouse (210 West 10000 South)
- Cases are set for Wednesday mornings.
- **To become involved in this program contact Kathy Elton (801 578-3982) [kathye@email.utcourts.gov](mailto:kathye@email.utcourts.gov) at the Administrative Office of the Courts.**

